

## **HERSETH SANDLIN: SUPREME COURT DECISION AFFIRMS SECOND AMENDMENT RIGHTS**

□ **June 28, 2010, Washington, DC- U.S. Rep. Herseth Sandlin released the following statement in response to the Supreme Court ruling on *McDonald v. City of Chicago***

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“I strongly support the Court’s ruling that the Second Amendment individual right applies to the states in addition to the federal government. This ruling provides greater protection for Americans’ Constitutional right to bear arms. Unfortunately, some don’t understand that hunting and outdoors activities are a key part of our way of life in South Dakota. This decision will help ensure that our Second Amendment rights are protected.”

In *McDonald v. City of Chicago*, the U.S. Supreme Court declared in a 5-4 decision that the Second Amendment right to bear arms extends to states, building on the earlier decision in *District of Columbia v. Heller*

. Rep Herseth Sandlin has consistently voted to protect Second Amendment rights as South Dakota’s member of Congress.

Rep. Herseth Sandlin was one of 251 members of Congress and 58 senators who signed an amicus curiae, or “friend of the court,” brief filed on November 23, 2009 with the Supreme Court supporting the petitioners in the case.

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